# Maine Clean Election Act Overview of Participation Rates and Payments 2000 - 2010

### **♦ PARTICIPATION BY LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES**

	MCEA Candidates in General Election	Total Candidates in General Election	Percentage of MCEA Candidates
2000	116	350	33%
2002	231	370	62%
2004	308	391	78%
2006	313	386	81%
2008	303	373	81%
2010	295	385	77%

#### **♦** BREAKDOWN OF 2010 PARTICIPATION BY PARTY

	MCEA Candidates in General Election	Total Candidates in General Election	Percentage of MCEA Candidates
House (D)	130	146	89%
House (R)	98	145	68%
Senate (D)	28	34	82%
Senate (R)	33	35	94%
Green, Unenrolled	7	26	27%

#### **♦ PARTICIPATION BY ELECTED LEGISLATORS**

	Percentage of Legislators Who Participated in the MCEA	
120 <sup>th</sup> Legislature	33%	
121 <sup>st</sup> Legislature	60%	
122 <sup>nd</sup> Legislature	78%	
123 <sup>rd</sup> Legislature	84%	
124 <sup>th</sup> Legislature	85%	
125 <sup>th</sup> Legislature	80%	

#### **♦ PARTICIPATION BY GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES**

	MCEA Candidates in Primary Election Only	MCEA Candidates in General Election
2002	James Libby (R)	Jonathan Carter (G)
2006	Peter Mills (R)	Barbara Merrill (U) Chandler Woodcock (R) Pat LaMarche (G)
2010	Patrick McGowan (D) Peter Mills (R)	Elizabeth Mitchell (D)

#### **♦ TOTAL PAYMENTS TO MCEA CANDIDATES**

Election Year	Legislative	Gubernatorial	Total
2000	\$965,608	N/A	\$965,608
2002	\$2,088,899	\$1,216,669	\$3,305,568
2004	\$2,799,617	N/A	\$2,799,617
2006	\$3,347,775	\$3,534,615	\$6,882,390
2008	\$2,954,035	N/A	\$2,954,035
2010	\$3,301,006	\$2,999,774	\$6,300,780

#### **♦ TOTAL PAYMENTS 2010 MCEA CANDIDATES**

	Legislative	Gubernatorial	Total
Primary Initial Payment	\$312,779	\$1,199,774	\$1,512,553
Primary Matching Funds	\$3,661	\$600,000	\$603,661
Primary Total	\$316,440	\$1,799,774	\$2,116,214
General Initial Payment	\$2,189,844	\$600,000	\$2,789,844
General Matching Funds	\$794,722	\$600,000	\$1,394,722
General Election Total	\$2,984,566	\$1,200,000	\$4,184,566
Total Payments for 2010	\$3,301,006	\$2,999,774	\$6,300,780

## ♦ GENERAL ELECTION MATCHING FUNDS PAID TO LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES

	Number of Candidates Receiving Matching Funds	Total Paid	Average Amount Paid
House			
2000	28	\$56,161	\$2,006
2002	62	\$95,626	\$1,542
2004	121	\$197,904	\$1,636
2006	129	\$381,923	\$2,960
2008	88	\$185,210	\$2,121
2010	113	\$248,758	\$2,201
Senate			
2000	12	\$70,219	\$5,852
2002	23	\$76,406	\$3,322
2004	27	\$242,062	\$8,965
2006	22	\$236,988	\$10,772
2008	27	\$278,977	\$10,332
2010	35	\$545,964	\$15,599